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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action mailed April 12, 2010, in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the Office Action was originally due July 12, 2010. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time, thus extending the due date to August 12, 2010. Accordingly, this paper is being timely filed on or before August 12, 2010.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.